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RE: Children's Memory Testing Cards Recalled by Riverside Publishing Due to Violation of Lead Paint Standard

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Please see the attached product recall issued by CPSC. The product (Memory Testing Cards (sold as part of educational testing kits) is distributed by Riverside Publishing Co., of Rolling Meadows, Ill. Surface paint on the cards contains excessive levels of lead, violating the federal lead paint standard. Lead is toxic if ingested by young children and can cause adverse health effects.

The recall involves the Universal Nonverbal Intelligence Test—Symbolic Memory Cards. The memory testing cards are part of a kit used to test children's physical and mental abilities. They are white with green figures, measure 1 ½" x 1 ½", and were sold as part of a kit (model number 922782), or were sold in packages of 10 cards (model number 922775). The model numbers are located on the packaging.

The memory testing cards were sold by Riverside Publishing to testing facilities and administrators nationwide from January 2003 through November 2007 for about \$550. They were manufactured in China.

Please see the recall notice for specific information for consumers and contact information for the company. You may also contact the CT Department of Public Health Lead Poisoning Prevention & Control Program at 860-509-7299.

Recall Alert

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission

Office of Information and Public Affairs

Washington, DC 20207

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Alert #08-546

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The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, in cooperation with the firm named below, today announced a voluntary recall of the following consumer product. Consumers should stop using recalled products immediately unless otherwise instructed.

Name of Product: Memory Testing Cards (sold as part of educational testing kits)

Units: About 5,300

Distributor: Riverside Publishing Co., of Rolling Meadows, Ill.

Hazard: Surface paint on the cards contains excessive levels of lead, violating the federal lead paint standard.

Incidents/Injuries: None reported.

Description: The recall involves the Universal Nonverbal Intelligence Test—Symbolic Memory Cards. The memory testing cards are part of a kit used to test children's physical and mental abilities. They are white with green figures, measure 1 ½" x 1 ½", and were sold as part of a kit (model number 922782), or were sold in packages of 10 cards (model number 922775). The model numbers are located on the packaging.

Sold by: Riverside Publishing to testing facilities and administrators nationwide from January 2003 through November 2007 for about \$550.

Manufactured in: China

Remedy: Purchasers should immediately stop using the recalled memory cards and return them to Riverside Publishing for free replacement cards. The firm is contacting purchasers directly.

Consumer Contact: For additional information, contact Riverside Publishing at (800) 323-9540 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. CT, or visit the firm's Web site at www.riverpub.com

9-22775
PKG OF 10
UNIT SYMBOLIC
MEMORY CARDS

Universal Nonverbal Intelligence Test
Symbolic Memory Cards from Manipulatives Kit



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